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BROOKS HALL PARTY.

International College Meet.

Brooks Hall turned out last Tuesday night almost to a man—and we use the expression advisedly—in an athletic event. Various colleges were represented—Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Dartmouth, and Oxford. At eight o'clock the dining room was thronged with guests sitting under the banners of the colleges of their respecting hosts. Amid great applause, the teams of the five colleges entered in a snake dance, singing their college songs. Yale was followed by its darkey trainer, overloaded with sweaters and wraps. Oxford came in the members wearing decorous caps and gowns and adorned with monocles and moustaches. Their cheering was most restrained and ladylike, causing great enjoyment to all the spectators, not excepting their fellow countryman on the judges' grand stand. The thrilling interest began when Referee MacMurray called out the contestants in the cross-country run. Though the committees present might have given the Brooks Hall residents points in racing with dress suit cases, the latter could be taught nothing in the way of hasty dressing. The event was won by Amidon of Yale. The audience had a moment of acute anxiety when Upton of Oxford fell from exhaustion, but Dr. Bernstein came to the rescue. Great strength and skill were shown in the hammer throw, Jones of Oxford making first place by throwing the inflated paper bag a number of inches. The next event was the discuss throw. As Hillas of Dartmouth took her—his place, the spectators stood on the sacred Brooks Hall chairs and held their breath. Up in the air soared the Japanese paper plates, but, alas! it fell back almost at the thrower's feet. Mighty Hillas was defeated. The event was won by Thompson of Oxford. So far, Oxford and Yale were nearly tied and no one else had scored. In the hundred yard dash, however, Columbia took first place by some very remarkable team work. The next event was the standing broad jump, won by Thompson of Oxford. The boat race caused breathless excitement. Hubbard of Oxford was far ahead and would have won but that near the end her craft sprang a leak. The spectators saw some splendid polo. It was a pleasure to see the spirited ponies with their slim bodies and mop-like tails. These ponies were well trained, and, although they were frisky, their riders had them well in hand. Talbot of Oxford was very nearly thrown while riding to take her place, but she regained perfect possession of her pony and soon made a goal. This put Oxford in advance of every one else. The final score stood: Oxford, 9; Yale, 4; Columbia, 3; Harvard, 2; Dartmouth, 2.

YSAYE BENEFIT.

Those who are inclined to be superstitious about Friday the thirteenth might well have felt, had they attended the Ysaye Benefit on that date, that their superstitions were justified. So empty was the house that we almost wept. No doubt the fact that Mr. Ysaye has been giving a very great number of concerts, combined with the recency of our Butterfly Benefit and the consequent emptiness of the pockets of many of us, accounted for this. The concert itself, however, was delightful. The program was as follows:

1. Sonata in C Minor—Allegro con brio, Adagio cantabile, Scherzo allegro, Finale allegro (Beethoven). 2. Concerto in B Minor No. 3—Allegro non Troppo, Andantino quasi Allegretto, Molto moderato et Maestoso (Saint-Saens). 3. (a) Theme and variations (Haydn); (b) Reverie Nocturne (C. Decreus); (c) Filles pres de Carentec (R. Baton), Mr. Decreus. 4. Chaconne (church music of the 17th century), with organ (Vitali). 5. (a) Preislied (Wagner-Wilhelmj); (b) Caprice Viennois (Kreisler); (c) Ballade and Polonaise (Vieuxtemps).

The audience, though slim, was enthusiastic, eliciting by their hearty applause an encore both from Mr. Decreus, the pianist, and from Mr. Ysaye. Perhaps the most popular number was the fourth, in which the organ and the violin beautifully rendered the dignified, sonorous Chaconne of Vitali.

Although only \$300 was made over and above the \$2,500 which went to the hall and the musicians, it was evident from the fact that most of the audience was composed of Barnard girls and Barnard friends, that we showed a fairly lively interest and sense of responsibility.

BARNARD GIRLS IN SETTLEMENT WORK.

All the recent complaints about college spirit make one stop and think what college girls in New York do, outside of college. We know so little about one another that not many people are aware of the splendid work that many Barnard girls are doing in settlements. More than thirty girls have had clubs and classes at the College and Union Settlements through the C. S. A., and many others at settlements in which they are personally interested. That there is a real need for these workers is shown by the fact that every week come more requests for volunteers than it is possible to respond to. Leaders for evening clubs, especially, are needed. Of course it is hard for most girls to undertake this, but if two go together it is possible.

The girls who do this work feel that they get a great deal out of it, and are really accomplishing something. One leads a club of twelve-year old boys, and says, and believes: "My boys are the finest in New York." These boys seem to have a genius for organization. Their business meetings are much better conducted than Barnard class meetings. So well versed are they in parliamentary

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THE KINGDOM OF GOD ON EARTH.

Dr. Styers, who was to have been the speaker in chapel, Monday, was ill, but we were fortunate enough to obtain Dr. Fagnani of Union Theological Seminary to talk to us. Personal religion and communion with God are characteristic of many religions, said Dr. Fagnani, and of some even more so than of Christianity. The doctrine of the kingdom of God on earth is what distinguishes the Christian religion from others. Christianity has to do with politics, economics, society; the highest things in life have to do with the kingdom of God.

In the seventh chapter of Daniel is described a wonderful vision. Four beasts arise in Heaven. The first is a lion, the second a bear, the third a leopard, the fourth a strong beast of terrible description. These represent the successive governments of the world, the Babylonian, the Persian, the Indian and the Greek. These monsters are actuated by selfishness, greed and lust. There is also seen the throne of God, and a man-like figure approaches on the clouds. To this being is entrusted the power of the earth, and he shall subdue the beasts. This being must be St. Michael or some son of man in Heaven. Let us ponder upon who this was who was to subdue the beast.

Christianity affects government, and our relations to those over us. It teaches that the relations of men are to be those of brotherhood. The principle of love is to be extended until it encompasses all men. It is in our hands and those of our brothers to remove from history evidences of the rule of the beasts, and to substitute love, brotherhood and respect. We must be consecrated to the cause of the kingdom of God. It is presupposed that we live decent lives and look to God as our all-powerful and omniscient Father and Guide, and that we do His will as we can. But beyond this we should give ourselves to doing away with the injury and repression of human beings, to bringing liberation and emancipation with all the advantages of the fraternal relation until there is a race of supermen and superwomen on the earth.

The heraldry of nations has always been birds and beasts of prey. As far as we are concerned the turkey has a much better right to be the American symbol than the eagle. If we want to be in the vanguard of the movement for the kingdom of God we do not want the association of old rapacious eagle ideas. The finest people are those who have worked for the service and advancement of mankind. Compare Mme. Curie with Elizabeth or Catherine the Great. We will soon be erecting monuments to people of that kind instead of martial figures. Each of us, no matter what her personal trials and struggles, should be consecrated to the advancement of the kingdom of God on earth.

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How often we hear that Columbia University is so big that we never get a chance to be all together and feel in any real sense that we all belong to the same group. Yet there is one time every day when a very large number of us do get together and when all who look about it thoughtfully feel a little thrill of unity. This is at about seven minutes to nine on the subway trip between 96th and 116th streets. Columbia stands, indeed, then, shoulder to shoulder, even "cheek by jowl." The whole train is full of Barnard T. C. and Columbia (with a small sprinkling of colored laundresses, to democratize us). The Barnard Sophomore looks across the aisle and sees a young man reading Robinson's "History of Western Europe," and she feels he is her brother. The Barnard Senior looks next to her and sees an elderly lady reading Thorndike's "Principles of Education," and feels she is her sister. Then, as the train opens its doors and pours forth a young river at 116th street, all rush headlong up the steps: they feel the kinship of brothers and sisters united in the common fear of mother's wrath—Alma Mater's wrath at lateness.

NO QUORUM—NO LUNCH.

To the Editor of the Barnard Bulletin:

Dear Madam: I read with some amusement and interest in last week's Bulletin that at a recent meeting of the Undergraduate Association "the president announced that since the college is too indifferent to put off lunch for half an hour once or twice a month, hereafter during all undergraduate meetings the lunch room will be closed." I beg to ask this question, "Who will close it?" Did the Undergraduate Association vote to request Mrs. Jameson and those in authority to serve no luncheon during undergraduate meetings? Did Student Council recommend the lunch room to be closed?

I agree that it is provoking to call meetings to which only a half dozen students come, but nothing was ever gained by force. If the undergraduates are not sufficiently interested to attend they are not the ones whose votes are wanted to pass important measures. You say: "But we must have a quorum"—then change your requirements for a quorum. If necessary agree that six will constitute a quorum. Those who are now uninterested may object to such an aristocracy and be glad to attend undergraduate meetings and enjoy democratic government again.

I sympathize with the undergraduate officers who patiently wait for a quorum, but my sympathy is also extended to the hungry undergraduate who pictures the crowded lunch room, a pencil line crossing off the things on the menu which she likes and her one o'clock class. Can't the officers so plan the business of the meeting, that they will take less time?

S. G. F.

KINDNESS TO NEWCOMERS.

To the Editor of Barnard Bulletin:

Dear Madam: If any one were to suggest to us that we are thoughtless, careless, selfish, and sometimes rude, we should resent the suggestion. We would, however, hurriedly review our recent actions, for fear there might be some truth in it. But no, it seems impossible. Only yesterday we spent the afternoon with a friend who was ill and far from home. At that tea, the other day, didn't we fetch our friends some cake before we had had any ourselves? Did we not delay our lunch, so that our friend could first write her theme?

Yes, this is very true. But notice—was it not in every instance a friend for whom we did the kindness? How many of us were really friendly to that new girl (not a Freshman; Freshmen are well taken care of). A newcomer in our midst is woefully neglected. No, we are not always rude. In the matter of material things we are usually polite enough. We meet her in the hall, nod a pleasant good-morning, say a word or two, and run off to join a friend, and tell her some most unimportant fact, with a very confidential air. The newcomer watches us a little wistfully. We may be outwardly polite, but we are too engrossed in our own affairs, too selfish, to make her feel at home, to make her one of us. Would it not have been nicer to include the newcomer in the telling of that tale which needed no secrecy? She would have felt less "out of it," and less lonely.

It is selfishness and thoughtlessness which makes us do just such things, for it is easier to tell the incident without explanation of its relation to college life, and again, many of us do not stop to think.

Let us be less selfish, less thoughtless. Let us make the newcomer feel at home. Surely, it is not very hard.

X. Y. Z.

Barnard Girls in Settlement Work

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law that no new situation phases them. They take great pride in being good citizens and manifest it by cleaning up the streets zealously. Another girl, in charge of a play room at Union Settlement, has a host of devoted followers. The first day she went there such a crowd escorted her to the car, clinging all around her, that the conductor looked quite taken aback, wondering if they were all going to get on. Her children have been seized with the universal dancing craze, and now, after the story, games no longer satisfy them. So they always end up by dancing, "as long as it is nice."

The leader of a club of girls at the College Settlement has found that they were tremendously interested in Mary Austin's description of life in Russia. They read these descriptions and supplement them by stories they have heard from their own mothers and grandmothers. The thirst that these little girls have for culture, the keen desire to rise above their sordid surroundings, is remarkable. One of them told the "teacher" that she "wanted to increase her vocabulary." The club is now busy working at a May-day play. One club leader discovered that her girls had no gymnasium work, so now she goes down again on Sunday afternoons to teach dancing, gymnastics and basketball. All of the girls who do settlement work sacrifice a great deal of time and care to it, but they all agree that it surely is paid for in the pleasure and often the real help that they can give to the children of the slums.

SUFFRAGE CLUB PLANS.

To the Editor of the Bulletin:

Dear Madam: I am going to accept your kind invitation to the clubs to advertise themselves and speak up in behalf of the Suffrage Club. Although it still has its old name, its purpose is now the discussion of all sorts of problems connected with the woman's movement. There are going to be monthly meetings, with interesting speakers and informal (and we hope spirited) discussion. The first of these will be held on Monday, March 23, at four. Several members of the faculty will speak on the attitude of girls toward their profession. It is hoped that every one who possibly can come will show that she is interested in this really vital subject. If you want to join the Suffrage Club—and you do, I am sure, specially when you hear that the dues are only a quarter a year—just give your name to Gertrude Livingston, '17, or to me. Make up your mind to, and don't forget—every Barnard undergrad!

MARGARET POLLITZER.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS.

Saturday, March 28—The Deutscher Kreis presents Unter Vier Augen, Die Gouvernante, Die Ferne Prinzessin in Brinckerhoff Theatre, at 2.30 and 8.15 p. m. Undergraduates, 25 cts.; subscription, 50 cts.

Sunday, March 29—7.30-8.15 p. m., organ recital; 8.15 p. m., recital of the story of Joseph, by Mrs. Ida B. Judd, in St. Paul's Chapel. General public invited.

Monday, March 30: 8.30 p. m., meeting of the English Club at Brooks Hall, rooms 611, 612.

CHAPEL NOTICE.

Monday, March 23—No chapel service. Y. W. C. A. Forum at 12 o'clock in theater. Everyone invited to attend. Speakers: I. Randolph, '14; B. Lowndes, '17.

Thursday, March 26—Prof. Charles Sears Baldwin, Department of English.

Monday, March 30.—Rev. Harvey, Officer of the Order of the Holy Cross.

DR. FAGNANI ON THE BIBLE.

Room 134 was crowded last Friday to hear Dr. Fagnani of Union Theological Seminary speak on how to study the Bible. Dr. Fagnani said he would speak for a while discursively, as it was impossible to lecture on such a subject in an hour, and then give time for questions. Our Bible, composed—as the derivation of the word suggests—of little books, is arbitrarily divided into testaments or covenants. The division is unhappy. The Old Testament might just as well include Matthew, Mark and Luke, for the essential Christian viewpoint begins with John. There are two types of religion set forth in the Old Testament—the priestly or sacerdotal, which puts great emphasis on things done for God, as the forms of worship, etc., and the prophetic or protestant type which emphasizes the things done for man.

Now the first and most essential thing for the study of the Bible is the possession of one. We should each have one with as wide a margin as possible, so that we can make notes in it. Everyone of us has to make our own Bible, marking and noting the things in it that most appeal to us. In this reading and study we should not forget that the Old Testament is as important as the new. Dr. Fagnani thinks that every college should have a good course in Bible study. Even if we do not want it for a religious purpose, a knowledge of the Bible is absolutely essential to real culture, and anyone who does thoroughly read the Bible is cultured. After speaking for a while Dr. Fagnani said he was prepared to answer any questions satisfactorily, at least to himself. Several people took advantage of this opportunity.

EDUCATIONAL SUGGESTION.

To the Editor of the Bulletin:

In history class the other afternoon some chance remark started Dr. Robinson on his favorite theme of conventional education. He marvelled at the docility of the students who, year in and year out, take their education as it is given them, without demanding that what is stupid be left out, and what is interesting be put in the too short time they give up to learning about things. Is not his charge just? Should we not question more as to whether we have opportunities at college for gaining all the knowledge we need to make us truly cultured? There is at least one conspicuous lack of cultural opportunity at Barnard, which is brought especially to our attention now by the talks of Dr. Fagnani and Dr. Coffin. Most of us know almost nothing about the Bible, for, if we ever studied it, it was unintelligently at Sunday school. But, as the history of a people, a work of art, a splendid collection of literature and philosophy, a wealth of pure poetry, it is a cultural source, our ignorance of which is shocking. If there is one thing pre-eminently needed at Barnard to make her student well educated, it is a course in which the materials of the Bible would be presented in an intelligent, modern manner, without theological bias or disproportion, as an interesting subject that everyone ought to know about.

I think that now, when our scanty knowledge is being brought home to us is the time to ask for more. Surely, if the authorities felt that there was a demand for such a course they would try to give it to us.

DOROTHY HEROD.

NEW ALUMNAE.

The following students received their degrees in February: R. W. Brooks, J. E. Carroll, M. H. Mason, E. F. Mulhall, J. Van Raalte, M. E. Walker, Olive Wells, F. Holzwasser, M. Tully, F. Hendricks.

HUMOROUS DEPARTMENT.**Mother Goose Number.**

I love my dear Psych. course, it's such easy stuff,
And if I don't know it, I always can bluff.
I tell my own tears and my thoughts analyze,
But know far less Psych. than the world would surmise.

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There was a poor student with points thirty-eight
Who studied and crammed at a furious rate.

She studied all day and half the night through,
And then—well, she flunked it. What else could she do?

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College girl, college girl, whither away?
I'm going to the book-store, good money to pay.

College girl, college girl, what will you do then?

Take home the books and ne'er see them again!

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An undergrad.—a swell, young thing,
Had a grand voice, but couldn't sing.
And then she learned a college yell,
So now her voice does very well.

BUZZINGS.

The increased noise in the corridors on Wednesday p. m. seemed to indicate the presence of more bell(e)s than usual.

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If you say, "I suis mûde," meaning "I am tired," aren't you chewing The International Rag? Well, "Everybody's doing it now!"

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If tickets did not sell rapidly for "The Shoes that Danced," we don't wonder. We have never seen a pair of shoes that could do a modern dance. It takes a fluted spine.

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The Circus is coming to Town! Tickets for admission unlimited (except, of course, by the eternal question of the pocketbook).

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We suspect that those in charge of the circus rejected the Hawaiian maidens because slit skirts are not in fashion this spring.

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We beg to be excused from more. We are very busy designing a memorial monument for college spirit.

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Are you going? Going where? Why to the Barnard Opera Stunt at Popular Prices. Certainly I am; if you don't go you'll be sorry. Best thing Barnard has had since 1912 left college.

FRESHMEN GAIN 10 PONITS TO WARDS FIELD DAY.**Basketball Season Is Over.**

The basketball season closed a week ago with Saturday's game. It gives way to the popular sport of indoor baseball, so dear to the American heart—that is, the baseball part of it. Our college sport is like the great national game in five respects: (1) In keeping score, (2) in baseball slang, (3) in chewing gum, (4) in swinging a bat at a ball, and (5) in fighting with the umpire. For the benefit of some mathematical or doubting soul, we publish the exact standing of the four classes, at the end of the games:

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1916	3	3
1915	2	4
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REV. S. H. BISHOP ON THE WORTH OF THE AMERICAN NEGRO.

The chapel speaker Thursday, March 19, was the Rev. Samuel H. Bishop, Secretary of the American Institute for Negroes. He said that in the recent Wesleyan fire and the splendid behavior of the college women in it we have a forceful demonstration of the value of educational training.

We should realize fully that the standard of self-control which these girls exemplified are the results of the discipline of American education; that they are purely accidental. Most of the circumstances of life are so. It is not due to any inherent worth that we are born here in America, the land of personal freedom, or that our ancestors came from the world as inheritors of ancient culture. In fact, we have advanced in civilization little beyond ancient Greece, which, through contact with all the various neighboring peoples of the world and assimilation of new ideas, became the cradle of our learning and ideals.

Like us, the negroes as a class are the product of an accident. For many centuries they lived down in Africa, cut off by natural barriers from the rest of the world, with no opportunity to barter merchandise and exchange ideas with so-called civilization. But in the bare human attributes of intelligence and moral worth apart from the accidental circumstances of life we find the negro meeting us on a par. In industrial accomplishment he has always excelled. His music in sweetness of melody and beauty of rhythm is the loveliest ever written. His literature, handed down in the form of traditional sayings, is comparable to the Hebrew Proverbs. In his character he has given us an unparalleled example of loyalty. Through the four years of the Civil War he stayed faithfully in the South as the protector of the women and children and the tiller of the soil. When one thus overcomes the accident of adverse circumstances and stands as advanced as the negro, despite them, it is a thing to praise, to admire, to encourage. It is this development of the bare human assets, the God-given gifts of the spirit that should be the tone standard of worth.

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GREEK GAME TICKETS.

Tickets are now on sale for Greek games. One 25 cent ticket may be bought by each undergraduate for her own use. All other tickets are 50 cents. All profit made on Greek games will go to the Building Fund. The following girls will sell tickets:

Freshmen: Agnes Kloss, Frida Wobbe, Rosemary Lawrence.

Sophomores: Stella Block, Edna Thompson, Edna Lonigan.

Juniors: Margaret Pollitzer, Agnes Conklin.

Seniors: Florence Harris, Corinne Reinheimer.

Alumnae may get their tickets from Ruth Salom, Brooks Hall.

1916 CLASS MEETING.

At their special meeting on Tuesday the frivolous sophomores elected Madeline Ros chairman of their second dance, and Marian Kelly chairman of their luncheon.

1917 CLASS MEETING.

A special meeting of 1917 was held on Wednesday for the sake of encouraging—and intimidating—the Greek games contestants. The chairman spoke. The members of the class were duly impressed by the names of the judges.

NOTE.

Next Monday, March 23, Dean Gildersleeve will speak before the Columbia University Institute of Arts and Sciences on "What the Public Should Expect of a College Woman."

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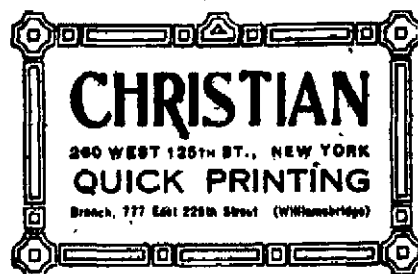
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SENIOR WEEK ELECTIONS.

Class-day speakers have been elected by the seniors as follows: Dorothy M. Hinch, valedictorian; Louise E. Adams, salutatorian; Marguerite Schorr, historian; Louise H. Fox, to present gifts to the members of the class. Ruth E. Guernsey is chairman of the central committee in charge of all senior week activities; Jeannette Unger of the class-day committee; Amy Vorhaus of the play committee; Dorothy Herod of the committee for the senior banquet; Marguerite Revier of the dance committee, and Louise H. Fox of the committee for selecting the gift to the college.

PLANS TO IMPROVE OUR ENGLISH.

One of the series of informal Faculty conferences which were instituted this year was held last Monday. The chief subject of discussion was the possibility of bringing about closer cooperation between the different departments so as to secure higher standards of English composition in all written work submitted in all subjects. The matter was referred to the Committee on Instruction for formulation of a definite plan of action.

'14-'17 BASKET BALL GAME.**Freshmen Capture Last Game.**

Though the Seniors tried to pull themselves together on Saturday, March 14, in their game against '17, they were easily outclassed by the Freshmen. In the first half, on the strength of the other five games which they had won, the Freshmen lay back and took life easily. When the time whistle blew, they found that '14 had actually had the temerity to keep pace with them. The score was 3 all. In the second half, Freshmen passed the ball cleverly from the opponent's goal straight down the field and into the basket. The game closed with a score of 15-3. The lineup was as follows:

'14. E. Mayer... Right Forward... H. Alexander M. Ross... Left Forward... A. Pollitzer M. Boegehold... Centre... I. Hahn M. Engler... Right Guard... R. Lawrence L. Petri... Left Guard... H. Bausch Substitute, second half—C. Cukins for Hahn; M. Talmage for Bausch.

Scores by halves—First field goals: Mayer (1), Alexander (1). Fouls: Mayer (1), Alexander (1). Second field goals: Alexander (3), Pollitzer (2). Fouls: Pollitzer (2).

Total score—'14, 3; '17, 15. Referee, M. Hillas. Score-keeper, S. Rodgers. Timekeeper, H. Langdon.



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